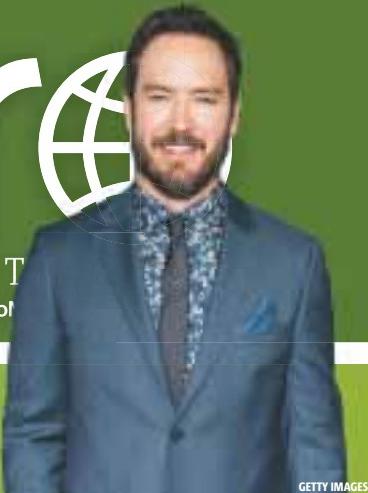


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## THINGS TO KNOW



JOE PANTORNO, SPORTS EDITOR

For a franchise known for flashing the cash for big-name free agents, the New York Yankees are suddenly practicing frugality of sorts, as they look to be out of the running for Manny Machado. Instead, the Bronx Bombers signed veteran second baseman DJ LeMahieu to add to the mix of a crowded infield. What could the lineup look like come Opening Day? Metro took a crack at it as we long for spring training.

## WELCOME TO METRO.US

## 'JAYME IS THE HERO,' SHERIFF SAYS OF CLOSS

**I**A 13-year-old girl's escape from a rural home where she was held captive for three months by a Wisconsin man charged with murdering her parents helped break the case and she should be treated as a hero, the local sheriff said on Friday. Jayme Closs is with her aunt after her rescue on Thursday and has been reunited with the rest of her family and her dog, Barron County Sheriff Chris Fitzgerald told reporters. Thousands of volunteers and hundreds of law enforcement officers had searched the small town of Barron after Closs' parents were found shot dead in their home in October, their front door blown open with a shotgun, their daughter gone. Closs was targeted by suspected kidnapper Jake Patterson, 21, who carefully planned her parents' murder, even shaving his head to avoid leaving forensic evidence at the crime scene, Fitzgerald told reporters. "Jayme was the target," said Fitzgerald. "The suspect had specific intentions to kidnap Jayme and went to great lengths to prepare to take her."

## SNOWSTORM BLANKETS MID-ATLANTIC, 7 DEAD

**2**A massive winter storm rolled eastward to the mid-Atlantic United States on Sunday after dropping more than a foot of snow on parts of the Midwest and killing at least seven people in highway accidents on Saturday. The weather system, which started as rain from Mexico but has since turned into snow, is forecast to affect an 1,800-mile (2,900 km) swath of the United States from Colorado to the mid-Atlantic. Millions of Americans in 10 states and Washington, D.C., were under a winter storm warning or advisory on Sunday. Four people

in Missouri and three in Kansas died in roadway accidents, authorities in both states reported. Virginia Gov. Ralph Northam declared a state of emergency on Saturday in anticipation of snow and ice accumulation, transportation problems and power outages in the state. Central and northern Virginia may receive up to 10 inches of snow, according to the National Weather Service. Washington was forecast to receive almost a half-foot of snow, forcing airlines to cancel over one hundred flights leaving Reagan National Airport on Sunday morning.



## NEW YORKERS PARTICIPATE IN THE ANNUAL NO PANTS SUBWAY RIDE

**3**A man rides the F line during Sunday's 18th annual No Pants Subway Ride. The worldwide annual event was arranged by Improv Everywhere, a New York City-based comedy collective.

## WIFE: GHOSN SUFFERS 'HARSH' TREATMENT

**4**The wife of ousted Nissan Motor Co. Ltd. chairman Carlos Ghosn has urged Human Rights Watch to bring attention to the "harsh treatment" he has received while being detained in a Japanese jail, according to a letter seen by Reuters on Sunday. Japanese authorities have charged Ghosn with under-reporting income and aggravated breach of trust for temporarily transferring personal investment losses to Nissan in 2008. Carole Ghosn, in the nine-page letter to Kanae Doi, the Japan director for Human Rights Watch, the non-

government organization, asked the group to "shine a light on the harsh treatment of my husband and the human rights-related inequities inflicted upon him by the Japanese justice system." Ghosn was in charge of an alliance that included Nissan Motor, Mitsubishi Motors and France's Renault until his November arrest and removal as chairman of the automakers sent shockwaves through the industry. The government has denied requests to end his 39-day detention. His lawyers have said it would likely take more than six months for his case to come to trial.

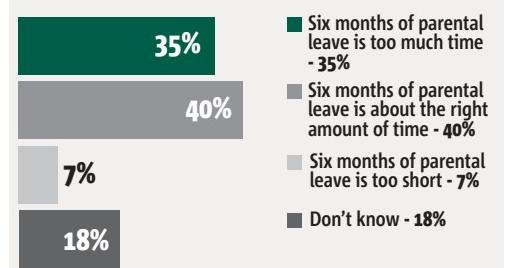
## GRAHAM TO ASK FBI ABOUT REPORT OF TRUMP

**5**The Republican head of the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee said on Sunday he plans to ask the FBI about a report it launched a probe into whether President Donald Trump had been working on Russia's behalf, suggesting the agency may have gone too far. "I am going to ask the FBI director, was there a counterintelligence investigation opened up regarding the president as being a potential agent of the Russians? I find it astonishing," Sen. Lindsey Graham said on the "Fox News Sunday" program. "If this really did happen, Congress needs to know about it," he added. "How could the FBI do that? What kinds of checks and balances are there?" The New York Times reported on Friday that the FBI opened the counterintelligence investigation in 2017 after Trump fired then-FBI Director James Comey, out of concern the president's actions may have presented a threat to national security. Comey at the time was leading an investigation into Russia's alleged interference in the 2016 U.S. presidential election. U.S. intelligence agencies have said Moscow tried to tip the election to Trump.

## STATS

## PARENTAL LEAVE POLICY

California Gov. Gavin Newsom recently proposed a parental leave policy which would offer six months of partially paid leave to new parents, which is more parental leave than any other state currently offers. Which of the following comes closest to your view?



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## NEWS



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The nation's longest shutdown is now in its third week.

A Republican senator close to President Donald Trump on Sunday backed a temporary re-opening of the federal government, in the 23rd day of the longest shutdown ever, to allow for talks on a spending agreement that could satisfy Trump's border security demands.

Democrats in Congress rejected Trump's request that legislation to fund the government include \$5.7 billion of taxpayer money for a wall on the U.S. border with Mexico. They have refused further negotiations until the government is reopened after being partially shut down since Dec. 22.

Graham, chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, said he urged the president on Sunday to reopen the government for a limited period to try to get talks going again.

If no progress is made, he said, then Trump should declare a national emergency as a way to get money to build his wall, a plan not popular with some fellow Republicans.

"Before he pulls the plug on the legislative option, and I think we are almost there, I would urge them to open up the government for a short period of time, like three weeks, before he pulls the plug [to] see if we can get a deal," Graham said on "Fox News Sunday."

He said Trump told him, "Let's make a deal, then open up the government."

The record shutdown has furloughed 800,000 federal employees and cut government services across the United States. They missed their first paychecks on Friday, heightening concerns about mounting financial pressures on employees, including air traffic con-

trollers and airport security officials who are working without pay.

Trump continued to blame Democrats for the impasse. "I'm in the White House, waiting. The Democrats are everywhere but Washington as people await their pay. They are having fun and not even talking!" Trump said Sunday on Twitter.

Drew Hammill, deputy chief of staff for Democratic House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, responded on Twitter that "Speaker Pelosi has been in DC all weekend working from the Capitol."

In a meeting last month with Pelosi and top Senate Democrat Chuck Schumer, Trump said he would be "proud" to shut down the government over wall funding. Recent polls show most Americans think the president is to blame.

Jennifer Lawless, a politics professor at the University of Virginia, said she believes Trump and Republicans will lose the game of chicken as furloughed workers, airport travelers, tourists and others "experience the consequences of political dysfunction firsthand."

"The shutdown is real. The wall is hypothetical. And at some point soon, the Republicans are going to remember that it's real people in their districts who aren't getting paid, real people who aren't able to access government services, and real people who vote," she said.

A concourse at Miami International Airport was shut down for part of the weekend because not enough Transportation Security Administration agents were present to staff all of the airport's security checkpoints.

The airport said it would reopen the concourse on Monday and "continue to monitor checkpoint staffing levels and make adjustments as necessary." REUTERS

# Graham urges Trump to open US government temporarily

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# Government shutdown hits home in NYC

No paychecks and no relief for federal workers as the government shutdown heads into its third week.



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As President Donald Trump's government shutdown continues, now officially the longest in U.S. history, workers in New York City are feeling the effects, but people across the city are stepping up to help.

American Federation of Government Employees (AFGE), a union representing more than 670,000 federal workers across the country, says its members are concerned.

They're getting nervous, said Gabriel Pedreira, legislative and political organizer for AFGE who manages the northeast district, including New York.

"For example, TSA agents in the New York area, there are 4,000 of them [in this union], and they make an average salary of \$35,000 a year," Pedreira said. "That's not a lot of money. When you're only making \$35,000 a year in the New York area and you miss a paycheck, that hurts."

Members are concerned, he added, that they'll also miss their next paycheck, scheduled for Jan. 25, "based on the rhetoric" coming from the White House.

Trump hasn't wavered in his quest to get \$5 billion for a border wall, and has even said he could keep the government shutdown going for "months or even years."

For AFGE members — including TSA agents at JFK and LaGuardia airports; federal prison guards at the Metropolitan Detention Center in Brooklyn; and local Environmental Protection Agency and Department of Housing and Urban Development



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workers — as well as other federal employees, that's a life-altering disruption.

Of the 800,000 federal workers affected by the shutdown, 250,000 are veterans, which Pedreira said is "an additional slap in the face" from the White House.

Pedreira has been urging AFGE members to apply for unemployment — "It's not a lot of money," he said, "but it's better than nothing" — but that

can take weeks to process.

The government shutdown began at 12:01 a.m. on Dec. 22. As of Jan. 10, 1,382 furloughed federal workers had applied for unemployment benefits in New York, the New York State Department of Labor said.

"The workers I speak to are nervous and scared. They're worried that they won't be able to pay basic things like their children's lunch money," said Pe-

dreira. "Imagine you have a small child who's counting on lunch money from their mother, and the mother has to look that child in the eye and say, 'I have no lunch money for you today.' That's really tragic on a human level, and it's unfortunate that the White House doesn't recognize that."

Larry Hirsh, 59, works at HUD's New York City office as a senior community planning and development rep. He luckily has a financial cushion, but still says he's seeing the negative impact of the government shutdown.

"The whole thing is frustrating. I see no reason for it," he said, "no reason why we shouldn't be working, why we shouldn't be helping groups that help the homeless, which is what I do."

"My agency, my job, has nothing to do with the wall," he added.

Groups that help the homeless as well as those in public housing that rely on HUD grants, in New

York City and beyond, are in jeopardy because of the government shutdown.

Whether it's vouchers that have to be reviewed before they can be paid or contracts that have to be signed before they can be renewed, that's work that is not getting done by Hirsh or his colleagues for as long as the shutdown continues.

**"The whole thing is frustrating. I see no reason for it."**

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"People rely on federal funds to do positive things for society," he said. The federal workers themselves, he added, are middle class. "We're the middle-class Americans who everybody wants to help, and we're being hurt. The people we work with who help low- and moderate-[income] people are also being hurt."



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# 2020 run still an option for de Blasio

Speaking with CNN, the mayor refused to rule out running for president in 2020.



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Mayor de Blasio has advocated for single-payer health care. GETTY IMAGES

Whether or not he decides to run for president in 2020, Bill de Blasio thinks the Democratic Party needs to move to the left. Speaking to Jake Tapper on CNN, de Blasio argued that many "moderate" Democrats still haven't realized that the way to win back the White House is to advocate for things that working-class Americans need.

"We should have single-payer [health care] in this country, we should have Medicare for all, no question," de Blasio said. "This is the kind of thing that Democrats should

stand for. If we say to the American people, 'Our job is to get through health care no matter what, no matter how much money you make, no matter what your situation,' that's the kind of thing that's going to resonate with the American people."

Promising to embark on a national tour to advocate for the policies he plans to implement in New York City, such as universal health care and guaranteed paid personal time off, de Blasio could

easily begin a presidential campaign if he so chooses. Asked by Tapper if it was in the cards for his future, he demurred.

"I never rule things out," de Blasio said, stating that his intention behind the move is to shift the possible conversation to the left, and to encourage other Democrats to speak about the problems felt by working-class Americans and the solutions they can bring to the table. "I want to push this whole party," he continued.

Moderate Dems, he argued, won't be able to win if they don't do anything more than oppose Trump's administration. According to de Blasio, they need to speak about issues.

"There are still a lot of moderate voices in the party that did not learn the lessons of 2016, that are not listening to what people need in this country," he said.

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Amazon founder Jeff Bezos and MacKenzie Bezos at the Vanity Fair Oscar party in March 2018. GETTY IMAGES

# There's plenty to know about Bezos' wife MacKenzie

At stake in the Bezos divorce: A \$139B fortune.

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Perhaps as surprising as the news that Amazon founder and CEO Jeff Bezos was getting divorced is that he was married. Bezos and his wife MacKenzie have kept a tight lid on their private lives over 25 years of marriage.

That was then. Although the couple's mutually tweeted divorce announcement was amicable, Jeff and MacKenzie Bezos are now prime headline fodder. What will a split of Jeff Bezos' estimated \$139 billion fortune mean for Amazon? Or his status as the world's richest man?

But the week's biggest Bezos headline may have been: Who is MacKenzie Bezos? The woman who may soon be richer than Oprah and the Queen of England combined has kept a much lower profile than most partners of celebrity CEOs, while simultaneously building a substantive résumé.

MacKenzie and Jeff Bezos worked and lived in NYC. Jeff Bezos and MacKenzie Tuttle met at the new-ish NYC hedge fund D.E. Shaw in 1992, when he hired her to work as a research analyst. Tuttle had just graduated from Princeton, where Bezos had graduated six years earlier.

**She defended Jeff on Amazon**  
In 2013, MacKenzie left a one-star review on Amazon for an investigative book about Jeff Bezos and the company that she considered unfair. She wrote: "I worked for Jeff at D. E. Shaw, I was there when he wrote the business plan, and I worked with him and many others represented in the converted garage, the basement warehouse closet, the barbecue-scented offices, the Christmas-rush distribution centers, and the door-desk filled conference rooms in the early years of Amazon's history. Jeff and I have been married for 20 years."

**She's been with Amazon since before the beginning**  
Within a year of their marriage, Jeff convinced MacKenzie to move to Seattle. With MacKenzie literally behind the wheel,

Jeff wrote Amazon's business plan on the cross-country trip. He founded the company in a rented garage in October 1994. MacKenzie wrote checks and helped with bookkeeping; in 1999, Wired reported that she helped negotiate Amazon's first freight contracts. As the company grew, she stepped back from day-to-day dealings. The couple ultimately had four children.

**MacKenzie is an American Book Award-winning novelist**  
At Princeton, MacKenzie studied fiction writing with Nobel Prize-winning author Toni Morrison ("Beloved"), who told Vogue that MacKenzie was "one of the best students I've ever had in my creative-writing classes." MacKenzie has published two novels, 2005's "The Testing of Luther Albright," which won the prestigious American Book Award, and 2013's "Traps." The New York Times called "Luther Albright" a "quietly absorbing first novel"

about "an emotionally repressed husband and father." "Traps" is about a reclusive actress who comes out of hiding to confront her father, who sold her out to the paparazzi.

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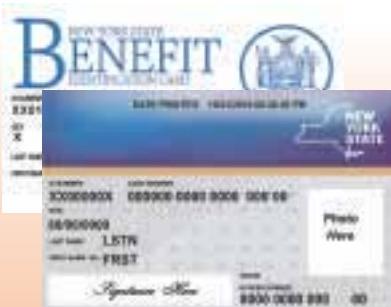
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**NURSING HOME REGULATION**

A few days ago, I visited a relative at a nursing home. When dinner was served, an attendant turned off the TV in the middle of a movie the residents were

enjoying. When I asked why, I was told that a state regulation required that televisions must be shut off during meals. I would like to know what killjoy thought that one up.

— Constantine Coutrouloso,  
Metro US reader

**YOU ARE NOT IN GOOD HANDS!**  
My mom needed some outside

work done on her house. The guy arrives with his 10-year-old son ... like, really, is he going to hold the ladder??? Then my mom's husband decides to help and ends up falling and

breaking a hip. Good news, we never used that guy again. Bad news, he actually still wanted to be paid.

— Sheryl Love-Johnson, Metro US reader

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I've recently been making a conscious effort to carry a book with me wherever I go. With so much time spent looking at screens during the day in their many forms, it's nice to focus on something that isn't slowly melting your retinas. It's helping me reconnect with the feeling you get when you are sucked into a really good book and can't put it down. It's like a conversation you want to keep having. My mood has been much more positive as a result. Perhaps that's because I am forgetting about the world around me a little bit more these days.

— Curtis Sterling, Metro US reader



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**Aries** Double-check everything before you make a move. Consider whether a change is in your best interest. Focus on personal improvements, not on changing others.



**Taurus** Learn all you can and finish what you start. You have great potential, and if you apply your skills, expertise and knowledge, you will reach your target.



**Gemini** Don't believe what you are told just because you want to. Ask for verification before you make a mistake. Anger will not solve anything. Nurture important relationships.



**Cancer** Look for original ways to overcome problems. If you work alongside people who share your beliefs, you'll form new alliances and boost your chances of success.



**Leo** A change will do you good, but make sure your reasoning is sound before you get started. Personal opportunities are apparent, along with romance and creative projects that will improve your life.



**Virgo** You'll discover a new interest if you socialize. Discussing your opinions will draw both negative and positive responses, which will prompt you to do something that will make a difference in your community.



**Libra** Take physical action and make improvements to your appearance, how you deal with relationships and how you effect change. Procrastinating will not solve problems.



**Scorpio** The results you get will be directly linked to the way you handle others. Stick to the truth, take a unique approach and back away from anyone who is extravagant or misleading.



**Sagittarius** Make adjustments at home that will lead to an easier life. Personal improvement is favored, as long as you don't go over budget. Don't let a smooth talker take advantage of you.



**Capricorn** Suggestions are only guidelines. When it comes to getting things done, don't lose sight of the rules, schedules and the importance of details. Organization and preparation are fundamental if you want to succeed.



**Aquarius** Opportunities are all around you. Don't try to do everything at once. Choose what will bring you the greatest return physically and emotionally, and do your very best.



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The "Saved by the Bell" actor admits he had never done genre before.



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Whenever audiences hear the name "Mark-Paul Gosselaar," chances are they immediately think about the younger version of the now 44-year-old actor who played Zack Morris in "Saved by the Bell."

Or they might recall his more recent performances in the underrated "Franklin & Bash" and "Pitch," both of which are sadly no more.

With Fox's new genre series "The Passage," however, Gosselaar is trying out the worlds of science fiction and fantasy for the first time in his career.

"What attracted me

# Mark-Paul Gosselaar on 'The Passage' and doing genre for the first time



The former "Saved by the Bell" star tackles genre for the first time. ELIZA MORSE/FOX

initially was the character-driven aspect of it. At the core of it is the relationship between Brad and Amy," he says of his and Saniya Sidney's characters. "I didn't know much about the books. I hadn't read them before I read the script. But knowing that Ridley

Scott, Matt Reeves and Liz Heldens were at the helm, and the genre aspect of it, made me realize just how big the expectations behind this were. That's what really excited me about it. I really trusted that they would take the show in the direction that it needed to go."

Gosselaar isn't wrong, for one of the most surprising (and strongest) elements of "The Passage" is the on-screen relationship that develops between Federal Agent Brad Wolgast and Amy Bellafonte (Sidney). Tasked with taking her to a secret government facility

experimenting with an all-in-one cure based on vampire DNA, Wolgast instead decides to protect Amy from her would-be captors. Much of the characters' chemistry has everything to do with their work behind the scenes.

Aside from the show's central focus on Wolgast and Amy's relationship, the challenge of making a series heavily steeped in genre and everything that comes with it was also a factor in Gosselaar's decision to get involved.

"I've never done a genre show quite like this," he explains. "Dealing with things that will be put in during the post-production process proved to be quite challenging at times. You're literally reacting to something that really isn't there when you're shooting the scene."

Another aspect of Gosselaar's involvement in "The Passage" that stands out is the fact that his character, at

least in the novels, doesn't survive for too long.

"Brad dies in the first book," he tells Metro. "Then I read the second book and he wasn't in it much, except for a few mentions. And when I got to book three, I just did a search for his name and nothing came up. I was like, 'What the hell?' I actually called the producers and Fox about it, and they said I would be sticking around for a while. I mean, I would love to stick around for the duration of the show, and from what I've been told by the powers that be, we'll be staying very close to the book in this first season."

"It should be interesting to see how it plays out," adds Gosselaar, "but I'm just along for the ride. I love this project. I love what we're trying to accomplish. So if I can be a part of it in any capacity, that's great."

"*The Passage*" premieres tonight at 9 p.m. on Fox.

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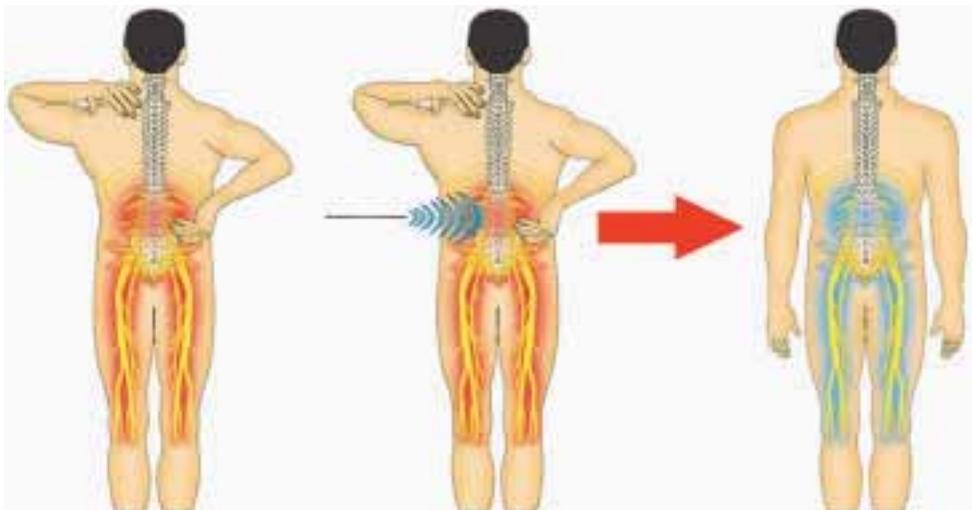
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# What to watch on TV this week

See the return of a reality-TV classic and boldly going where no one has gone before.



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The winter TV season is in full swing, which means each week that passes will be chock-full of shows returning from their midseason breaks and new series premiering. The second full week of January will be no different. From the return of a reality-TV classic to boldly going where no one has gone before, here's what to watch on TV this week.

#### "Temptation Island," Jan. 15 at 10 p.m. on USA Network

If you thought the premiere of "The Masked Singer" and the return of "The Bachelor" were the only two major reality TV shows to watch, think again. USA Network has revived the Fox classic "Temptation Island," which is set to make its debut Tuesday. Hosted by actor Mark Walberg (as opposed to actor Mark Wahlberg), the new iteration of the series will follow the basic formula of its predecessor: put a bunch of couples on an island with 24 single men and women and see what happens.

"Corporate," Jan. 15 at 10:30 p.m. on Comedy Central

When Matt Ingebretson and Jake Weisman's "Corporate" premiered last year on Comedy Central, it took audiences and critics by storm with its hilariously dark approach to workplace comedies. This was due just as much to the writing as it was to the excellent cast of supporting players (Lance Reddick, Adam Lustick, Anne Dudek and Aparna Nancherla). On

Tuesday, the season two premiere will rerelease them all on viewers eager to see (or cringe at) what happens next.

#### "Deadly Class," Jan. 16 at 10 p.m. on Syfy

Based on the acclaimed graphic novels created by Rick Remender and Wesley Craig, Syfy's new "Deadly Class" series will surely appeal to fans of "Kick-Ass" and "Riverdale" alike. Starring Benjamin Wadsworth, Benedict Wong and Lana Condor, and executive-produced by "Avengers: Infinity War" filmmakers Joe and Anthony Russo, it's sure to be a hit when it premieres Wednesday. Whether this will translate from cult status to wide appeal, however, remains to be seen.

#### "Star Trek: Discovery," Jan. 17 at 8 p.m. on CBS All Access

Despite the firing of original showrunner Bryan Fuller and his immediate successors, "Star Trek: Discovery's" first season went on to be a favorite among fans and critics. Season two, which premieres Thursday on CBS

All Access, looks to be in keeping with its premiere season's spirit. Along with returning cast members Sonequa Martin-Green, Doug Jones, Shazad Latif, Anthony Rapp and Mary Wiseman, the new season will also see Anson Mount and Ethan Peck playing two iconic characters.

#### "Carmen Sandiego," Jan. 18 on Netflix

Netflix has taken another classic children's series and transformed it into something radically different with its new "Carmen Sandiego" cartoon. Starring Gina Rodriguez as the titular anti-hero, this version of the character turns her into a more Robin Hood-like characters who steals items in order to protect them from an international criminal organization. What's more, it's also missing the classic theme music from the original, but kids today likely won't notice at all.

#### "The Punisher," Jan. 18 on Netflix

Following the uber-violent events of season one, "The Punisher" season two sees Frank Castle (Jon Bernthal) being thrust into a new series of deadly events involving a young girl on the run (Giorgia Whigham). This puts him on a path that leads to a new round of villains and the man he nearly mangled to death the season prior—Billy

Russo (Ben Barnes), otherwise known to fans as the villainous Jigsaw.

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And...

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A life...

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...you don't have to take slow, limping laps around your bedroom just to be able to walk every morning...

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I know you may find this hard to believe. Just about every one does when we tell them about this... at first.

But it doesn't take long for them to turn from skeptic to raving fan as soon as their pain improves so fast.

### **Do You Have An Open Mind?**

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#### **and what do they mean for your pain?**

In this study he found that 75% of the severe knee arthritis pain patients he treated... and were facing knee replacement surgery... did not need to have knee replacement surgery... and were still OK 7.3 years later!

### **This is incredible news for you... and here's why...**

The patients in this study were Stage 4 knee arthritis. That's the most advanced and worst stage. These are the cases that are usually sent for knee replacement surgery.

These patients had also gone through the common medical treatments like pain and anti-inflammatory pills, physical therapy etc. and all that had failed.

So... these were the WORST cases of which every thing else had failed ... YET, after this treatment, 75% still did not need knee replacement even more than 7 years later.

**And it gets better.** The study only collected data up to that time. It is pretty safe to say that many may never need surgery.

**Bottom line:** This study clearly showed this treatment is safe and extremely effective even for even the worst cases.

So, even if you aren't one of the worst cases... imagine what it can do for you.

### **What IS This Treatment And How Can You Find Out If It Can Help You?**

As studied as this treatment is.... you may have an "Oh No!" reaction.

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We feel this is why so many people have tried this treatment and DIDN'T get good results like in the patients in this research.

So, if you have already had this treatment and it didn't work... was it done with this advanced medical imaging?

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During this screening, you will get to talk to the doctor... ask questions... and find out if you qualify.

We will go over everything with you... and you will breathe a big sigh of relieve finally having real answers and a specific plan to possibly relieve your pain.

We will leave no stone unturned... and we will help you any way we can.

### **Please understand this:**

This treatment can possibly take away your pain...

**No matter how long you've been suffering.** It really doesn't matter. It may take a little more time if you've been suffering for years as opposed to a "new" case... but in the end... you can still get tremendous results...

### **No matter how bad or helpless you**

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### **You Get To See If You Qualify For FREE**

That's right. We want you to see EVERYTHING first hand and to **prove** to you... without a shadow of a doubt... we have the help for your knee pain that you are desperately wanting. And we want to do it without you spending a penny or risking anything to find out.

That's why we are offering you this free screening.

**So my big question for you is** – is the opportunity to wake up tomorrow morning... and every other morning for the rest of your life... with less pain... worth the 60 minutes it will take to be evaluated?

What else could you possibly do with that same 60 minutes that could have such a profound impact on the rest of you and your family's lives?

You know, it's really disappointing to me that so many people just go on living with pain when you don't have to. So many of patients tell us how they used to be in pain... just about every day.

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One of the best things or physicians and staff hear is "Hey doc since starting this program I've lost 17 pounds because now that I can finally move around pain-free the weight just keeps coming off!"

Which one of those amazing things I just mentioned would you like to happen to you... right now.

Maybe it's none of the things I've mentioned. But, you do have hopes and dreams. We all do. And pain robs you of

the opportunity to live out those hopes and dreams. Robs you of the life you really and desperately want... and deserve.

Whatever YOUR personal hopes and dreams are... They are all possible if you take action... right now.

All you have to do is give this a chance and schedule for the screening. But then again...

What's also possible is that your pain starts getting worse. And that happens to so many people from just doing nothing.

Taking action may seem like a little work... or... it may even be a little scary for you – but not taking actions is almost always worse. The eight most dangerous words to your future, your health, and your hopes and dreams just may be...

### **It Will Just Get Better All By Itself!**

Fact is... it may only get worse.

### **Here Is How To Get Your Free Screening...**

Just call us at 1-877-380-8537 and tell the scheduling coordinator you want your free screening. If you are one of the first 50, it is 100% free. No obligation or strings attached.

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Most are from word of mouth. But we wanted to open up this opportunity to as many arthritis pain sufferers as possible.

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# Going out during the shutdown

What's open and closed while the federal government remains in limbo.



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With no end in sight to the government shutdown after more than two weeks, the effects continue to ripple out of Washington, D.C., into the lives of people across the country. In New York City, that means closed attractions and volunteers helping out in national parks.

#### What's closed?

Besides getting to New York being more difficult because the TSA is not being funded, people will also find the following federally managed memorials and landmarks closed to the public while the National Park Service remains unfunded: African Burial

Ground, Cooper-Hewitt Design Museum, Federal Hall, General Grant National Memorial, Hamilton Grange, Theodore Roosevelt's birthplace, and the National Museum of the American Indian.

The major exceptions are the Statue of Liberty, Ellis Island and Castle Clinton, which Gov. An-

drew Cuomo's administration stepped in to keep open. The state is paying \$65,000 per day to fully fund operations and pay the 900 staff who work at the sites. "We will not allow President Trump's repugnant symbol of division close the true representations of who we are as a state and a nation," Cuomo



Volunteers with the Jamaica Bay-Rockaway Parks Conservancy clean up National Park Service sites during the shutdown.  
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is the Cooper-Hewitt Design Museum, which is currently closed because it's owned by the Smithsonian. "We are disappointed that not everything is open," says Chris Heywood of NYC & Company. "The longer the shutdown continues, the more it creates concerns for us."

#### Stepping up in the parks

Like other national parks, the 27,000-acre Gateway National Recreation Area remains open during the shutdown but without staff or maintenance. The site includes the Jamaica Bay Wildlife Refuge, Fort Tilden, Jacob Riis Park, Floyd Bennett Field, Plumb Beach and Canarsie Pier.

The Jamaica Bay-Rockaway Parks Conservancy holds monthly cleanups at Plumb Beach, most recently on Jan. 6. "We had always planned on doing this, but it was really special to have everyone out on a day when the park

really needed our help," says Alex Zablocki, executive director of the conservancy.

Volunteers picked up trash that had washed up on the beach and been discarded along the nearby Belt Parkway as usual, but also took the unusual step of emptying out overflowing trash cans on Canarsie Pier and its parking lot. NYC Parks also helped with collection and brought a dump truck.

Thankfully, Zablocki's team didn't see the kind of vandalism that's been reported at Yellowstone and Joshua Tree. He asks visitors to take trash with them when they go.

Another cleanup is set for Feb. 2. Zablocki hopes to create a better plan after this crisis is resolved: "If this were during the summertime, we would see thousands of users in our parks, and we certainly don't want to rob the public of these great amenities."

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# Teach your kids to save money with a smart wallet

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Introducing children to personal finance can be tricky. That is why Pigzbe—an intelligent wallet inspired by a piggy bank that helps children learn to save through an app and virtual games—was developed. Pigzbe also uses a family cryptocurrency called Wollo to introduce children to the world of virtual coins. Metro chatted with Filippo Yacob, co-creator and CEO at Pigzbe, to find out more.

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## Q&A



**FILIPPO YACOB**  
co-founder and CEO  
at Pigzbe

### What is Pigzbe?

Pigzbe is a handheld “piggy-wallet” and an educational app, which runs on a new, family-friendly cryptocurrency called Wollo. Pigzbe teaches children ages 6+ the building blocks of saving, earning, budgeting and spending in a hands-on way. We like to think we’re giving kids financial superpowers!

### How does it teach children to save money?

Managing digital money is a basic 21st-century literacy—one our children can’t afford to miss out on. But it’s tricky, because you can’t count the bills, and you can’t touch the coins. Saving is just a small part of learning to be smart with money.

In the past, the physicality of piggy banks and allowances provided really great early

routines into personal finance: earning cash through chores, filling up the piggy bank with coins, counting your savings, then buying something you really want.

Pigzbe is based around a similar earning-and-saving framework. The big difference is that it is designed for an increasingly cashless world, so rather than physical coins and notes, Pigzbe uses a cryptocur-

### Why?

Because cryptocurrencies are the evolution of digital money. They are here to stay, and we want children to have the tools to take control of their own future.

**Tell us how it works.**  
In basic terms, the parent sets a task via the Pigzbe app, and the child is notified via their Pigzbe device.

Once the child has completed the task they can collect their reward in the form of Wollo.

In the app, the Pigzbe money tree helps the child visualize their savings goals (e.g. a game, a toy, or a present for a friend), so they can save for the things they really want. The more

money the child has, the bigger the tree grows. When the child has reached a savings goal, they will be able to spend their Wollo in the real world, with approval from Mom and Dad.

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## Scientists create clothing that tracks body shape changes

Washable, battery-free wearables could be used for activity-tracking and sports training.

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Researchers at Carnegie Mellon University have found a way to track body movements and shape changes with special clothes using arrays of RFID (radio-frequency identification) tags. Although these tags are nothing new, scientists have discovered a method to make wearables washable, economical and battery-free. The innovation could be used to convert "any surface into a touchscreen." To learn more about it, Metro talked with Haojian Jin, Ph.D. student with the Human-Computer Interaction Institute at Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh, Pa., and a member of the developer's team.

### How did you come up with RFID-embedded clothing?

We wanted to make wearables and internet of things (IoT) suitable for everyday usages. One "everyday" usage example is our cotton T-shirts. We throw them into a laundry basket without hesitation. The brutal washing machine cleans

these cotton fabrics. You don't care much if you get some stains on your clothes, [because] these clothes are durable and cheap. However, none of today's smart wearables and IoT are designed for this. Intelligent devices come with complex electronic circuits, making them pricey, bulky, power-hungry and not washable.

### How did you make it happen?

After many experiments, we finally came up with sewing passive RFID tags inside the cloth. Passive RFID tags are the simplest electronics in the world. It's a coil in a particular geometry. It harvests energy from radio waves, so it has no battery. It merely reflects all the radio signals, so it has no CPU. You may already find these tags after some laundry service. These tags are cheap (each costs a few cents), durable and washable.

We then developed a set of algorithms to sense the wearer's body part movements as well as the nearby environment shape changes.

### How could those wearables be used?

So far, we have developed two enabling technologies: RFWear and WiSh. RFWear is the first skeleton tracking mechanism, lightweight

and convenient for day-to-day use without relying on external infrastructure. RFWear can be used for fitness training, rehabilitation treatment, AR/VR game controllers, etc.

WiSh is a generic technique that can make ordinary surfaces "shape-aware." WiSh can turn any soft surface in the environment into a touchscreen. Smart carpets, for instance, could detect the presence and locations of people or be used to control games or devices. Soft toys could respond to, or otherwise, register squeezes and bends. Smart pillows might help track sleep quality. We even used WiSh to monitor the structural health of a bridge.

### What's next?

Our current solution assumes the context when the readers are mobile. As long as the reader is in the user's pocket, we can always track the user's posture and nearby environment. However, in some contexts, the sensing range may be a problem. For example, how can we sense a skyscraper from the ground? We are tackling this issue. While traditional RFID solutions only have a range of 10 meters, our development can push the range to around 70 meters.



The Yankees look to be out of the Manny Machado race. What will their lineup look like come Opening Day?

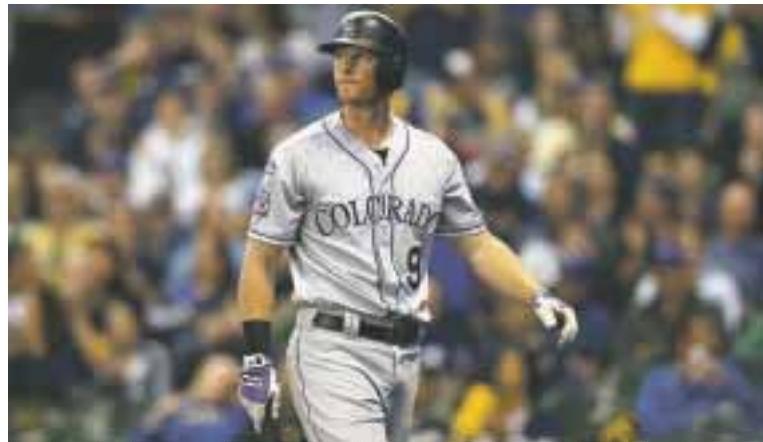
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The dragged-out saga that is the Manny Machado and Bryce Harper free-agency sweepstakes continues to drag into January, much to the chagrin of Major League Baseball fans, especially those of the New York Yankees.

As the richest, most renowned franchise in the game, the Yankees were immediately linked to both free-agent superstars as soon as the offseason began. Yet it is looking more and more likely that they will come up empty-handed when it comes to both 26-year-olds.

As their interest in Harper waned entering the new year, the possibility of adding Machado was still a very good possibility. They were one of three teams to have a meet-

# Projected 2019 Yankees lineup after DJ LeMahieu signing



The Yankees signed veteran second baseman D.J. LeMahieu on Saturday to add even more infield depth. GETTY IMAGES

ing with him alongside the Philadelphia Phillies and Chicago White Sox, the latter two believed to be able to offer much more money than the Yankees.

Yet Machado and his wife's desire to play for the Yankees — which has been well-documented between liked Instagram posts and a New York Daily News report by Wallace Matthews — has ensured that there is still a chance he could end up in pinstripes, even though his contract would hover around \$220 million instead

of the \$300 million his representation initially wanted.

The problem is that the Yankees have accrued a gluton of infielders that has all but eliminated their chances of acquiring the former Oriole and Dodger.

Saturday saw New York officially sign veteran second baseman D.J. LeMahieu to a two-year deal worth \$24 million. The 2016 NL batting champion, who is not known for a power bat, has spent all eight of his MLB seasons with the Colorado Rockies. So he's no stranger to

playing in hitter-friendly ballparks. With a .298 career average and .350 on-base percentage, he brings a much-needed change of pace to a Yankees lineup that is predicated on the long ball.

However, LeMahieu's

signing likely takes the Yankees completely out of the running for Machado, as they've added the 30-year-old to an infield that already includes second baseman Gleyber Torres, third baseman Miguel Andujar, shortstop Troy Tulowitzki and the recovering mainstay at shortstop, Didi Gregorius.

LeMahieu provides insurance for the middle of the Yankees' infield while Gregorius recovers from Tommy John surgery. Should Tulowitzki, who has played just 66 games over the past two seasons, fail to produce, Torres could be moved to shortstop and LeMahieu becomes the starting second baseman.

Another possibility could be putting LeMahieu at third base and

moving the defensively-challenged Andujar to first base, especially if Luke Voit and Greg Bird struggle.

It also puts the Yankees over the luxury tax as LeMahieu's deal puts the team's estimated payroll at just over \$212 million, which is \$6 million over the luxury tax threshold.

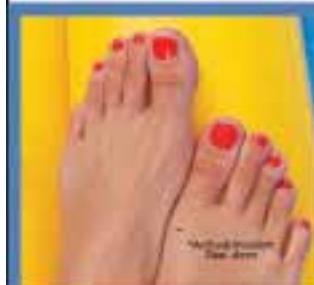
So with Machado likely out of the picture, here is how the Yankees' Opening Day lineup could look:

## PREDICTED YANKEES 2019 STARTING LINEUP

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# Are Mets setting up to lose deGrom?

The Mets have yet to get a long-term deal done for their ace.



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While the New York Mets pretend to suggest that they can actually contend for the playoffs despite getting stingy with their spending yet again, the long-term future of pitching ace Jacob deGrom remains unsettled.

The 2018 National League Cy Young Award winner is still under team control through the 2020 season before becoming an unrestricted free agent, but extending deGrom's contract now would secure him in blue and orange for the rest of his career.

It's apparently been a priority for deGrom's former agent, now general manager, Brodie Van Wagenen, who once brashly gave the Mets the ultimatum of either paying him or trading him back in July before he took the front-office role in Queens.

However, the Mets and deGrom haven't made much progress on an extension this offseason, which is now in its fourth



The Mets and Jacob deGrom avoided arbitration, but they still have to secure him for the foreseeable future. GETTY IMAGES

month as spring training inches ever closer.

Instead, Van Wagenen and the Mets have been content to avoid arbitration for a third straight year, basically giving the 30-year-old another one-year contract. On Friday, the two parties agreed to a \$17 million deal.

It could be a dangerous game to play with deGrom, who spun together a historic 2018 season by posting a league-best 1.70 ERA while striking out 269 batters compared to just 46 walks. If he had been given more support from an anemic offense, he could have easily won

20 games. Instead, he went just 10-9, the lowest amount of wins accrued by a Cy Young Winner in MLB history.

The lack of support clearly frustrated deGrom throughout the season as he single-handedly carried the starting rotation for large stretches of another disappointing year.

Van Wagenen has done plenty of work so far in order to overhaul the roster, upgrading the bullpen and the catcher's spot this offseason while also acquiring veteran second baseman Robinson Cano. However, the Mets don't seem keen on making

that last, big-money move that could put them over the top in the division. Much of that is thanks to the Wilpon Family, the franchise's owners.

If the Mets fail to contend in 2019 and can't ink deGrom to an extension, it's one year closer to unrestricted free agency, and another argument as to why the righty should not commit his future to a team that isn't fully committed to winning. After all, how many dominant years does a 30-year-old arm normally have?

Should deGrom want to win as soon as possible and the Mets can't

fulfill that need, there could come a day when he warns the franchise that he won't re-sign with them, which would lead to Van Wagenen looking to trade one of the faces of the franchise. (DeGrom's name already popped up in trade talks during the 2018 season, when he and

Noah Syndergaard were rumored to be on the move.)

It would be a shocking move that would be met with derision by everyone in baseball, but anything goes when the Wilpons are asked to open their wallets for the good of the team.

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### ACROSS

- 1 Highly self-satisfied  
 5 Slightly open  
 9 "Sesame Street" Muppet  
 13 Solitary  
 15 "I Got You \_\_\_"; Sonny & Cher hit  
 16 Stitched joining  
 17 Granny Smith, for one  
 18 Musical group  
 20 Singer Tillis  
 21 Can cover  
 23 Boo-boo remover  
 24 Make joyful  
 26 Not \_\_\_ longer; no more  
 27 Characteristics  
 29 Emergency  
 32 Grocery store walkway  
 33 Razz  
 35 Capture  
 37 "Do as \_\_\_, not as I do"  
 38 Stop  
 39 \_\_\_-carotene; antioxidant in carrots  
 40 Goodman or Cariou  
 41 Wooden box
- 42 Filled with rage  
 43 Gazes  
 45 Traditional antiseptic  
 46 \_\_\_ culpa  
 47 Place for a watch  
 48 Clap cuffs on  
 51 Traitor  
 52 "Much \_\_\_ About Nothing"  
 55 Capital of Laos  
 58 Diminished  
 60 Like cinnamon rolls, usually  
 61 Middle East nation  
 62 Irritated  
 63 Root beer  
 brand  
 64 \_\_\_ in the bud; squelches early  
 65 Pieces of furniture
- DOWN
- 1 Grand \_\_\_; 4-run homer  
 2 Sulk  
 3 Icky  
 4 \_\_\_ pen; smooth-writing Bic  
 5 Dwelling  
 6 Jolt  
 7 Major TV network  
 8 Practice  
 9 Prose writings  
 10 "Why don't we!"

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 Bateman  
 Family  
 Game  
 Hogan

Jason  
 Michael  
 Night  
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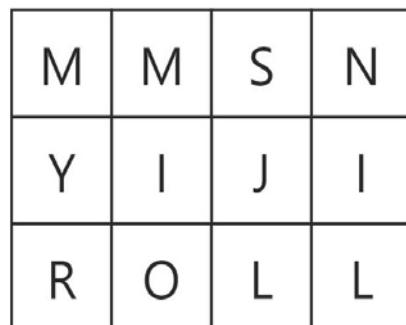
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SLUR	RUMOR	OVEN
STIMULANT		TESS
LABS	OAT	
ACROSS	SKI LODGE	
LAUGH	SWISS	RUN
ARMY	THOSE	VOID
MOP	DOORS	MAPLE
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